PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1854, THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996

JUNE 19, 1995.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. DIAZ-BALART, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 169]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 169, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for the consideration of H.R. 1854, the Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill for Fiscal Year 1996, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The rule waives section 302(f) and section 308(a) of the Budget Act against consideration of the bill. Section 302(f) prohibits consideration of a bill that exceeds a committee's allocation of entitlement authority (in this instance); and section 308(a) requires that the report on a measure to include cost estimates on entitlement changes in this bill. These waivers are necessary due to a minor provision relating to the annual salary level of the Director of the Congressional Research Service which is technically considered an entitlement change, even though the same provision has been contained in past years' Acts as well. Clauses 2 and 6 of rule XXI, prohibiting unauthorized appropriations and legislative provisions in an appropriations bill, and prohibiting reappropriations, respectively, are waived against provisions of the bill.

The rule makes in order only the amendments printed in this report if offered in the order printed, by the Member specified, and for the time specified in the report. The amendments are not sub-

ject to amendment, unless specified in the report, or to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order are waived against the amendments. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole is authorized to postpone record votes and to reduce to 5-minutes the time for voting after the first of a series of votes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit.

COMMITTEE VOTES

Pursuant to clause 2(1)(2)(B) of House rule XI the results of each rollcall vote on an amendment or motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and against, are printed below.

Rules Committee rollcall No. 157

Date: June 19, 1995.

Measure: Rule for consideration of H.R. 1854, Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill, FY'96.

Motion By: Mr. Beilenson.

Summary of Motion: Make in order the amendment by Reps. Brewster & Harman to credit any cuts made in bill to a Deficit Reduction Lock Box, and waive points of order against the amendment.

Results: Rejected, 3 to 7.

Vote by Member: Dreier—Nay; Goss—Nay; Linder—Nay; Diaz-Balart—Nay; McInnis—Nay; Waldholtz—Nay; Beilenson—Yea; Frost—Yea; Hall—Yea; Solomon—Nay.

Rules Committee rollcall No. 158

Date: June 19, 1995.

Measure: Rule for consideration of H.R. 1854, Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill, FY'96.

Motion By: Mr. Frost.

Summary of Motion: Make in order amendment by Rep. Baldacci to prohibit the acceptance of gifts from lobbyists.

Results: Rejected, 3 to 7.

Vote by Member: Dreier—Nay; Goss—Nay; Linder—Nay; Diaz-Balart—Nay; McInnis—Nay; Waldholtz—Nay; Beilenson—Yea; Frost—Yea; Hall—Yea; Solomon—Nay.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS MADE IN ORDER BY THE RULE FOR H.R. 1854, THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR FY'96

(Amendments listed in the order to be offered; debatable for 10 minutes each)

1. Neumann (WI) No. 6—Reduces Members' representational allowances—including members' clerk-hire, official expenses, and official mail by \$9.3 million to the 1995 appropriated level.

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2. Castle (DE)/McHale (PA)/Smith (WA) No. 29 (as a substitute for Neumann amendment)—This version cuts the appropriation for

Members' mail by \$4.6 million.

3. Gutierrez (ĬL) No. 22—Prohibits a Member of Congress from sending unsolicited mass mailings within 90 days of an election to be accomplished by adding a proviso to the language referring to appropriations for members' official mail accounts.

- 4. Minge (MN) No. 18—Eliminates funding for the Joint Economic Committee.
- 5. Fazio (CA) No. 7—Restores the responsibility of the Joint Committee on Taxation regarding review of tax refunds and credits.
- 6. Fazio (CA) No. 8—Restores the Office of Technology Assessment.
- 7. Houghton (NY) No. 10 (as a substitute for Fazio amendment No. 8)—Transfers \$15 million to the Congressional Research Service for the transfer of functions and personnel from the Office of Technology Assessment.
- 8. Clinger/Portman/Condit/Davis No. 11—Reduces funding the Library of Congress' American Folklife Center by \$1,165,000 and adds \$1,100,000 in funding to the Congressional Budget Office to comply with the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.
- 9. Orton (UT) No. 16—Cuts \$7,000,000 from the Botanic Garden's Conservatory Renovation program and restores this amount to the salaries and expenses appropriation for the Office of the Superintendent of Documents.
- 10. Klug/Roberts No. 15—Reduces the Government Printing Offices' full time equivalents by 350 to a level of 3,550.
- 11. Christensen (NE) No. 14—Prohibits the use of funds for elevator operators in the House office buildings.
- 12. Zimmer (NJ) No. 3—Allows Members to return unspent portions of their office expense accounts to the Treasury to be used for deficit reduction.
- 1. THE AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE NEUMANN OF WISCONSIN OR A DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR NOT TO EXCEED 10 MINUTES.
 - Page 3, line 6, strike "\$360,503,000" and insert "\$351,217,000".
- 2. THE AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE CASTLE OF DELAWARE OR REPRESENTATIVE McHale of Pennsylvania, or a Designee, as a Substitute for the Amendment of Representative Neumann of Wisconsin, Debatable for Not To Exceed 10 Minutes.
 - Page 3, line 6, strike "\$360,503,000" and insert "\$355,903,000".
- 3. The Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Gutierrez of Illinois or a Designee, Debatable for Not To Exceed 10 Minutes.
- Page 3, line 6, insert before the period the following: ": *Provided,* That no such funds shall be used for the purposes of sending unsolicited mass mailings within 90 days before an election in which the Member is a candidate".

4. The Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Fazio of California or a Designee, Debatable for Not To Exceed 10 Minutes.

Page 15, line 8, strike the colon and all that follows through "1986" on line 10.

5. The Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Fazio of California or a Designee, Debatable for Not To Exceed 10 Minutes.

Page 19, after line 13, insert the following:

OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Technology Assessment Act of 1972 (Public Law 92–484), including official reception and representation expenses, expenses incurred in administering an employee incentive awards program, and rental of space in the District of Columbia, \$18,620,000.

6. The Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Houghton of New York or a Designee, as Either a Substitute for the Amendment Numbered 5 by Representative Fazio or as an Amendment to the Bill, Debatable for Not To Exceed 10 Minutes.

Page 23, line 18, strike "\$60,083,000" and insert "\$75,083,000". Page 26, line 19, strike "\$211,664,000" and insert "\$195,076,000".

7. The Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Clinger of Pennsylvania or Representative Portman of Ohio or a Designee, Debatable for Not To Exceed 10 Minutes.

Page 20, after line 10, insert the following:

In addition, for salaries and expenses of the Congressional Budget Office necessary to carry out the provisions of title I of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–4), as authorized by section 109 of such Act, \$1,100,000.

Page 26, beginning on line 12, strike "operation and maintenance of the American Folklife Center in the Library;".

Page 26, line 19, after the first dollar figure, insert the following: "(less \$1,165,000)".

8. The Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Orton of Utah or a Designee, Debatable for Not To Exceed 10 Minutes.

Page 25, strike lines 14 through 20. Page 32, line 16, strike "\$16,312,000" and insert "\$23,312,000". 9. The Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Klug of Wisconsin or Representative Roberts of Kansas or a Designee, Debatable for Not To Exceed 10 Minutes.

Page 34, line 24, strike out "3,900" and insert in lieu thereof "3.550".

10. The Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Christensen of Nebraska or a Designee, Debatable for Not To Exceed 10 Minutes.

Page 49, after line 25, insert the following new section: SEC. 312. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for the salaries or expenses of any elevator operator in the House of Representatives office buildings.

11. The Amendment To Be Offered by Representative Zimmer of New Jersey or a Designee, Debatable for Not To Exceed 10 Minutes.

Page 49, after line 25, insert the following new section: SEC. 312. Any amount appropriated in this Act for "HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Salaries and Expenses—Members' Representational Allowances" shall be available only for fiscal year 1996. Any amount remaining after all payments are made under such allowances for such fiscal year shall be deposited in the Treasury, to be used for deficit reduction.